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Amendments to the Claims:

No claims were amended herein. The claims and their status are shown below.

1. (Previously presented) A multipurpose dry mix (A) for use in a spread, and/or a filling of baked, fried, uncooked savoury and/or sweet tasting products,

- a) having a freeze-thaw stability of at least 98%, wherein said freeze thaw stability is defined as (100% ((100 x the total amount of separated water in ml) (total weight (in grams) of mixture (B))), wherein said mixture (B) has a dry substance content of 64% and consists of said dry mix (A) and water, wherein said total amount of separated water is collected after performing a procedure wherein said mixture (B) is subjected to freezing at -18°C for 24 hours followed by thawing for 8 hours at ambient temperature and collecting the separated water, and repeating twice more said procedure, and
- b) having a baking stability of 100%, wherein said baking stability is defined by baking, in alumina cup at 180°C for 1 hour, a mixture (C) having a dry substance content of 79% and consisting of said dry mix (A) and water to obtain a baked mixture (C), and wherein said baking stability of 100% corresponds to non-leaking of a mixture (C) and/or baked mixture (C) out the alumina cup, and
- c) having a stable viscosity under alkaline, acidic and neutral pH conditions when measuring a mixture (D) having a dry substance content of 31% and consists of said dry mix (A) in demineralised water or buffer having Brabender viscograms between 50°C and 95°C with a heating rate of 1.5°C/min,

wherein said dry mix comprises 15-28% w/w fat, 10-20% w/w proteins, and 25-65% w/w carbohydrates, wherein said proteins are vital wheat gluten and/or vital wheat gluten developed in non-aqueous media.

- 2-4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 1 wherein said carbohydrates are selected from the group consisting of starch, flour, fibers, starch hydrolysates, hydrogenated starch hydrolysates, emulsifying starches, disaccharides, monosaccharides, polyols and mixtures thereof.
- 6. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 5 wherein the emulsifying starch is starch n-octenyl succinate.

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7. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 1 wherein said dry mix comprises:

- a) 10-25% w/w gluten;
- b) 20-45% w/w starch hydrolysates;
- c) 5-15% w/w flour;
- d) 1-10 % w/w starch n-octenyl succinate, and
- e) 15-28% w/w fat.
- 8. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 7 wherein said dry mix comprises:
 - a) 12-25% w/w gluten;
 - b) 22-40% w/w starch hydrolysates;
 - c) 7-12% w/w flour;
 - d) 2-8% w/w starch n-octenyl succinate; and
 - e) 17-25% w/w fat.
 - 9. (Previously presented) A completed mix comprising
 - a) a dry mix according to claim 1, and
- b) a liquid selected from the group consisting of water, savoury sauce, sweet sauce, dressing, fruit puree, vegetable puree, dairy-based liquids and mixtures thereof.
- 10. (Previously presented) A food composition wherein said food composition comprises:
- a) meat, fish, poultry, seafood, rice, potato, dairy products, fruits and/or vegetables, and either
 - b) a dry mix according to claim 1, or
 - c) a completed mix according to claim 9.
- 11. (Previously presented) A food product selected from the group consisting of snacks, pies, pizza-like products, savoury filled products, sweet bakery products, wherein said food product is comprising a layer on, under and/or around the completed mix according to claim 9.
- 12. (Previously presented) A food product according to claim 11 wherein said layer is pastry, crumble, bread, biscuits, sponge, cake batter, bread-crumbs, potato slices and/or potato mash.

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13. (Previously presented) A spread wherein said spread comprises a completed mix according to claim 9.

14-15. (Canceled)

- 16. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 1, wherein said dry mix has a freeze-thaw stability of at least 98.5%.
- 17. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 1, wherein said dry mix has a freeze-thaw stability of at least 99.0%.
- 18. (Previously presented) The dry mix according to claim 6 wherein the starch noctenyl succinate is stabilized starch noctenyl succinate.
- 19. (Previously presented) A spread or filling in baked, fried, or uncooked savoury and/or sweet tasting products comprising a dry mix comprising 10-20% w/w proteins, 25-65% w/w carbohydrates, and 15-28% w/w fat.
- 20. (Previously presented) A spread or filling in baked, fried, or uncooked savoury and/or sweet tasting products comprising a dry mix comprising 10-20% w/w gluten; 20-45% w/w starch hydrolysates; 5-15% w/w flour, 1-10% w/w starch n-octenyl succinate, and 15-28% w/w fat.